(b) and (c) Pakistani leaders often resort to propagandist statements of this nature of justify Pakistan's sponsorship of cross border terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir. The use of terrorism as an instrument of state policy has been strongly rejected by the international community. There is a very clear consensus in the international community today that there can no justification for terrorism, and that terrorism must be eradicated wherever it exits.

The State of Jammu and Kashmir is and shall remain an integral part of the Indian Union. Government are firmly resolved to take all necessary steps to preserve the unity and territorial integrity of the country. India has the resolve, strength and stamina to resist terrorism until it is decisively crushed.

Exposure of Pak sponsored terrorism before the world fraternity

533. SHRI AHMED PATEL:
DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken diplomatic steps to expose Pakistan's nefarious design of aiding and abetting terrorism in Kashmir before the world fraternity and isolating it on this count after the terrorist attacks in USA in September this year;

(b) if so, to what extent Government have succeeded in this regard;

(c) the countries with whom this was the subject of discussion alongwith the details thereof; and

(d) the results achieved therefrom?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) to (d) Government have been appropriately and effectively bringing to the attention of the international community facts pertaining to Pakistan's sponsorship of cross border terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir and other parts of India. The issue has also been raised during high level discussions with several foreign leaders including *inter alia* during the recent meetings Prime Minister had with the Presidents of Russia and United States, as well as the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.

The international community is fully aware that Pakistan sponsors cross border terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir and other parts of India, this is also indicated by some of these countries.

The terrorit attacks of September 11 in the United States have only served to expose Pakistan's links with international terrorism, and groups that practice violent and obscurantist ideologies. The international community is strongly supportive of India's determination to defeat terrorism. The strong consensus in the international community today, is that there is no justification whatsoever for terrorism and that this must be eradicated wherever it exists.

Indian mission in rented premises

534. SHRI R. P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Missions in some countries like Brazil, China, Bostswana, Qatar etc. have been continually paying high rents for tenanted premises although they had bought/were in possession of big land plots between 10 to 36 years back to build embassy structures but no construction activity has been undertaken despite considerable costs incurred on consultants etc.; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefom and the details of each such tenanted property/ purchased or gifted land, showing rental outgo over the years/time frame fixed for construction and the proposals with their present status?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. the Government of India has acquired plots of land in Brazil, China, Botswana, Qatar as also in other countries for construction of Embassy complex. These plots of land were acquired indifferent points of time depending upon the availability of suitable plot of land/local laws as also number reciprocal exchange. The construction projects on these plots acquired by the Government are undertaken in a phased manner keeping in view :

(i) economic viability of the project taking into account the cost of construction *vis-a-vis* the rental structure, and

(ii) the cost of renting building in a particular country compared with other countries where plots of land have also been acquired.

A number of projects had been short-listed for early implementation based on the above criteria and some of the major projects executed in the past 15 years include Chancery-cum-Embassy complex projects in Colombo, Islamabad, Kuwait, Dubai, Kuala Lumpar, New York, Abu Dhabi and Berlin.

The Embassy complex construction projects in China, Qatar and Botswana are at advanced state of processing. Financial approvals have been obtained for